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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, PINS, PGOV, SHUM, JM
SUBJECT: GREEN BAY VERDICT: CONSPIRACY TO MURDER, AND MURDER

REF: (A) KINGSTON 4227, (B) KINGSTON 3605

1. THE CORONER'S JURY HEARING TESTIMONY REGARDING THE JANUARY 5 "GREEN BAY INCIDENT" BROUGHT IN ITS VERDICT ON MAY 22. AFTER DELIBERATING ONLY 30 MINUTES, IT DECIDED THAT A "PERSON OF PERSONS CONSPIRED TO COMMIT MURDER, AND (COMMITTED) MURDER". HOWEVER, THEY JURY ASSERTED THAT IT WAS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY THOSE WHO WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONSPIRACY AND THE MURDERS THEMSELVES. AS A RESULT, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS (DPP), IAN FORTE, WILL NOW EXAMINE THE EVIDENCE PRESENTED AT THE INQUEST IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHO, IF ANYONE, SHOULD BE CHARGED WITH MURDER AND/OR CONSPIRACY TO MURDER.

2. COMMENT: UNTIL THE DPP BRINGS CHARGES AGAINST SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALS, THERE IS LITTLE WE CAN ADD TO THE
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COMMENTS CONTAINED IN KINGSTON 3605. THE VERDICT RENDERED BY THE CORONER'S JURY WAS PERHAPS THE ONE LEAST EXPECTED. THAT IS, MOST OBSERVERS EXPECTED THAT IF THE JDF'S ACCOUNT WAS ACCEPTED, A VERDICT OF JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE WOULD BE REACHED. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE SURVIVORS PREVAILED, THE FINDING WOULD NOT BE SIMPLY A FINDING OF MURDER AND OF CONSPIRACY TO

MURDER BUT WOULD RESULT IN SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALS BEING
NAMED. THE VERDICT AS RENDERED REFLECTS THAT
THE JURORS WERE REPORTEDLY THE TARGET OF THREATS THROUGH-
OUT THE HEARING, AND CHOSE TO AVOID SUCH DANGERS AS MIGHT
RESULT FROM NAMING NAMES. THE VERDICT THUS TELLS US MORE
ABOUT THE STATE OF AFFAIRS WITHIN THE JDF FROM WHOM THE
THREATS REPORTEDLY CAME.
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